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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: William C. Breneman

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For: PROCESS FOR THE TREATMENT OF

WASTE METAL CHLORIDES

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## RESPONSE

This responds to an Office action dated December 24, 2009. A three-month shortened period of response was set, making a response timely if filed on or before March 24, 2010. A petition for a one-month extension of time is submitted herewith.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.